

To-Day Is Last Opportunity to Visit Automobile Show

FINAL DAY OF AUTO SHOW WILL BE BEST FROM EVERY POINT

Special Programs Arranged and Exhibition Will Close in Veritable Blaze of Glory—Cabaret Performers to Offer New Line of Entertainment.

Whether it is the excellence of the performance offered, the splendor of the decorations, the magnificence of the cars presented, or the general air of good fellowship prevailing, the fact remains that the automobile show has been a success from every point of view. The fact remains that the automobile show has been a success from every point of view. The fact remains that the automobile show has been a success from every point of view.

That's the secret—told the committee-men that there was nothing in reason he would not do to help make the show a success, and he stated that he made this promise because the people in his company had told him the same thing. At both matinee and night performances Vess Ossman and his company have proved the big drawing card. They sang and danced, and worked their way into popular favor in a manner never before seen in Richmond.

The men of the troupe and the young women entered into the spirit of the show. They were as spirited as the steeds of gas. Every new song was given and every new step was shown, from the bunny hug to the elbow dip. The song and dances became contagious, and throughout the building sedate individuals could be seen with shoulders uptight and voices humming.

But young Ossman has by no means emptied his bag of tricks. He still has something left and he will give it today. He wants to leave Richmond with the reputation of having more than fulfilled his contract. There are many who will vote that way right now, but he isn't one of them. He wants to make this last day of the 1913 auto show one long to be remembered. Therefore those who manage to get to the Horse Show Building this afternoon, and especially to-night will find something so entirely different from the offerings of the week, that it will actually be a new show.

Last night approximately 2,000 people entered the building. Of this throng all but one was pleased. The one individual who arrived with a frown, found the atmosphere not at all to his liking and withdrew. Smiles were as plentiful as daisies on a Virginia meadow. No one with a spark of humor could help but smile. It was society night all over again, with some of the glad rags left at home, maybe, but none of the jovial temperament. However, the book is fast drawing to a close, and the last chapter will be written to-day. If you happen to be one of the unfortunates who has not visited the Horse Show Building during the week, if you have found business engagements which kept you away until now, or if for any reason your path led away from the exhibition, don't lose this last chance. Not only a duty to the city, but to yourself demands that you visit the building to see what has actually been accomplished. Nothing will be left out that has been offered during the week, and in addition there will be several new features. To-day will be the big day of the show. Get in line and attend. All cars lead in that direction.

BEDFORD SCHOOL CANCELS GAMES

Lynchburg, Va., February 21.—While the executive committee of the Lynchburg Athletic Association of the Lynchburg High School has under discussion the question of severing athletic relations with Randolph-Macon Academy, of Bedford City, the athletic authorities of the academy have come back good and strong at Lynchburg by cancelling basketball games scheduled with the High School and the Rivermont Athletic Club.

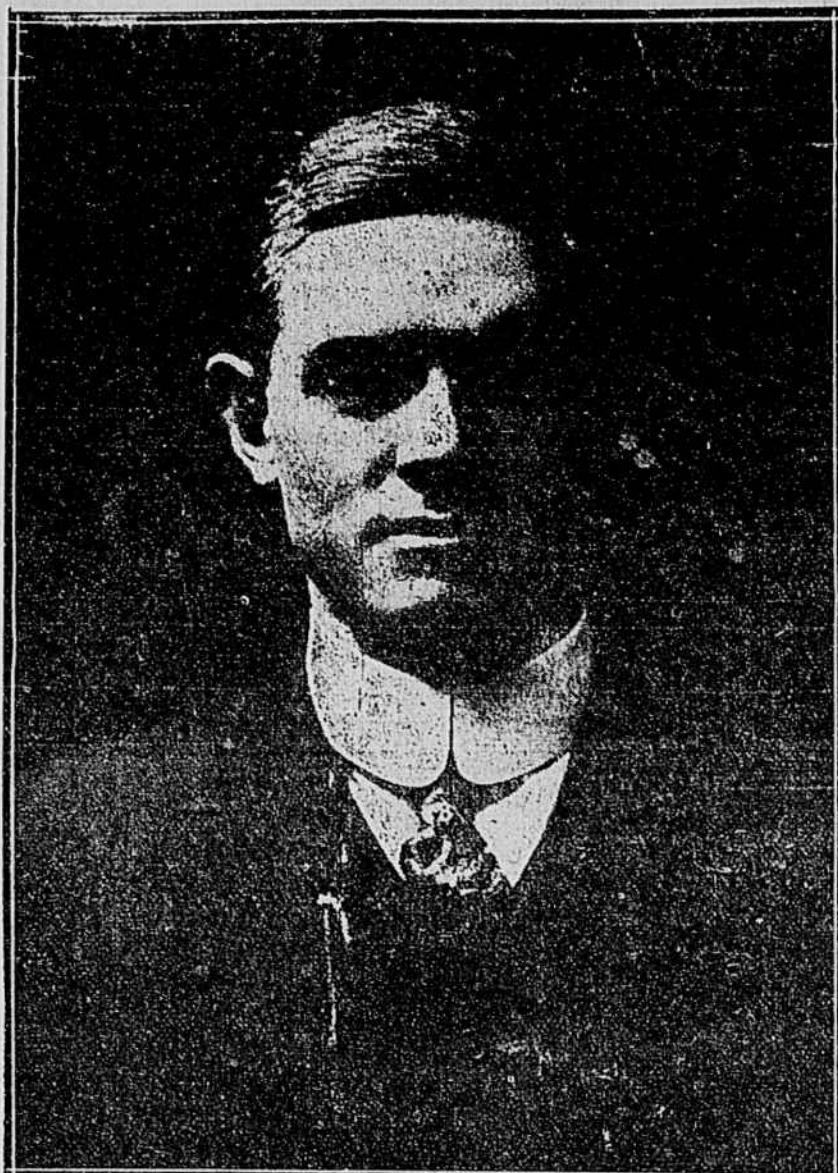
The athletic club was scheduled to go to Bedford City tomorrow afternoon for a game, and a crowd of some thirty or forty people would have gone on the trip, but the game has been called off.

The last home game of the High School was to be with the Randolph-Macon Academy at the Young Men's Christian Association the afternoon of February 26, but this contest, too, has been canceled.

Of course, the action of the Bedford City folks is regretted by both teams, for a red-hot game was in prospect with the High School next week, while the Academy five would have been fairly easy for the Rivermont five.

Unless the Hilltop quint can get a game with the Augusta Military Academy, which has claimed the State prep school championship, the season for both teams is about at an end, the team having gone through the season with seven victories and no defeats.

JIM REILLY



He will again coach Washington and Lee's football eleven and expects to turn out another winner.

V. P. I. WINS FROM BEAVER SCHOOL

Blacksburg, Va., February 21.—In the last basketball game of the season on the home floor, V. P. I. defeated the Beaver School, of Blacksburg, here this afternoon by a score of 43 to 12. The school quint put up a scrappy game, but the Techs were too heavy for them, and scrubs were put in for the last half. The Techs play Emory tomorrow, and start on the trip South early next week.

Williams Finishes Strong.

Williams defeated Davidson last night in their match game of pocket billiards at the Superior Billiard Academy. This leaves Rogers in the front, with Williams and Davidson to fight it out for second place, unless Davidson should defeat Rogers, when the race will be three-cornered for first money.

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JOHN MARSHALL LOSES FAST GAME

Local High School Defeated by Fredericksburg by Score of 17 to 7.

Fredericksburg, Va., February 21.—Fredericksburg High School defeated John Marshall High School, of Richmond, at basketball here to-night, 17 to 7, in a fast and hard-fought game. The playing of Sale and Sawyer for the locals, and Hatcher and Bethel for the visitors, were the features. The line-up:

Fredericksburg Position: John Marshall.
Sawyer, R. F., Fuller
Bethel, L. F., Hatcher
Jones, R. G., Bethel
Rowe, L. G., Jones
Summary: Field goals—Sawyer, 4; Rawlings, 3; Hatcher, 2; Bethel, 1; Poulos—Hawkins, 2; Sawyer and Hatcher. Referee, Whitehouse.

Howitzers Play Norfolk Five.

The Howitzer basketball squad will leave this afternoon at 4 o'clock to play the Navy Y. M. C. A. team to-night in Norfolk. The players are in fine condition, having gotten over their recent defeat by the Cardinals by the close score of 34 to 28, and are determined to make the sailors play to annex the game.

The following men will take the trip, and in addition a large crowd of rooters will go along to live things: Manager Reay, Captain Bell, Rowe, Ryan, Tucker, Lawrence and McCarty.

MASSANUTTEN IS WINNER.

Defeated Randolph-Macon at Basketball After Closely-Fought Contest.

Woodstock, Va., February 21.—Massanutten Academy defeated Randolph-Macon Academy at Front Royal in a basketball game last night 21 to 22. The score was a tie at the end of the game, when was played off in favor of Massanutten. The line-up:

Randolph-Macon Academy—Smith, forward; Pett, forward; Doyle, centre; Reynolds, guard; Gleason, guard; Massanutten Academy—Sachs, forward; D. T. Pritchard, captain, forward; Crickenberg, centre; Dan Pritchard, guard; Roller, guard.

On the previous evening Massanutten defeated a Gettysburg college quint, score 24 to 10.

RACES ARE GOOD AT CHARLESTON

Heavy Track Discounted by Well-Matched Fields—Jockey Grand Rides Winner.

Charleston, S. C., February 21.—Well-matched fields took part in the races at Palmetto Park to-day and good racing was witnessed, even though the going was still muddy. The best contest of the day came in the third event, when Progressive got up in time to nose out Amorel, while Chempulo, who was third, was only beaten a head for the place.

This was "ladies' day," and although the weather was threatening, a good crowd was on hand, and the form players again fared well as favorites, and well-backed horses won most of the races. Jockey Eddie Taplin rode for the first time to-day, and won with Berkeley and Michael Angelo, and was second with Aqueduct, all owned by H. G. Redwell.

Racegoers were elated over the news from New York to the effect that the Jockey Club had won a victory in the case of Paul Shane, and this probably means that there will be racing on the New York tracks this summer.

Jockey Charlie Grand to-day signed a contract in Kentucky this season for Catesby Woodford. In future the horses Amorel and Banorella will run in the name and interests of Mrs. A. Ray.

Bedwell later lost the purse on Michael Angelo, as it was discovered that the horse was not eligible to run, and the purse was given to Dipper. Summary:

First race—three-year-olds, selling, six furlongs—Chilton King, 112 (Kooner), 3 to 1, 1 to 4, out, first; Polly Worth, 103 (Obert), 5 to 7, 2 to 5, second; Ancon, 112 (Butwell), 13 to 5, 1 to 2, out, third. Time, 1:18 1-5.

Second race—four-year-olds and upwards, selling, five and a half furlongs—Berkeley, 111 (Taplin), 9 to 10, 3 to 2, out, first; Martini, 108 (Montgomery), 8 to 3, 5 to 5, second; Amella, 102 (Martin), 8 to 3, 5 to 5, third. Time, 1:10 1-5. Hudas Sister, Cuttinshunk, Miss Jonah, Swarts Hill, Tony W. and Old Hank also ran.

Third race—three-year-olds and upwards, selling, five and a half furlongs—Progressive, 90 (Ford), 9 to 2, 3 to 1, 1 to 4, out, first; Amorel, 115 (Butwell), 3 to 1, 1 to 4, out, second; Chempulo, 107 (Goose), 5 to 7, 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:10. Sylvester and Rose Queen also ran.

Fourth race—four-year-olds and upwards, selling, five and a half furlongs—Michael Angelo, 111 (Taplin), 20 to 1, 4 to 1, out, first; Dipper, 105 (Montour), 7 to 5, 2 to 7, 5 to 5, second; Harcourt, 116 (Pickens), 8 to 3, 5 to 5, third. Time, 1:10 1-5. Silex, Ethel Lebrune, Silas Grump, Miss Nett, Camel and Tolson D'Or also ran.

Fifth race—four-year-olds and upwards, selling, seven furlongs—Halderman, 113 (Muggrave), 9 to 10, 1 to 2, 1 to 4, first; Blanche Frances, 106 (J. Hanover), 20 to 1, 5 to 5, second; Letour, 101 (Jackson), 12 to 5, 5 to 5, third. Time, 1:22 4-5. Hertz, Coreopsis, Question Mark, Senator Sparks, Pretend and Benedictina also ran.

Sixth race—three-year-olds and upwards, selling, one mile—Effendi, 110 (Burton), 3 to 1, 1 to 2, first; Jacqueline, 107 (Taplin), 5 to 8, 5 to 7, 10 to 5, second; Fiel, 94 (Montour), 5 to 8, 5 to 3, 5 to 3, third. Time, 1:45. Husky Lad, Rey and Banorella also ran.

South Boston Athletics Win.

South Boston, Va., February 21.—The South Boston Athletics defeated Cluster Springs Academy here to-night in a fast game of basketball. The final score was 19 to 12 in favor of South Boston. Murray, Ould and Joyce threw some beautiful goals for South Boston, and DeJarnette and Harrell did good defensive work. Edwards was the best scorer for Cluster Springs. Chapman threw several goals for Cluster Springs from fouls. The line up:

South Boston—Harrell, centre; Murray, right forward; Ould, left forward; Joyce, right guard; DeJarnette, left guard.

Cluster Springs—Wood, centre; Chapman, right forward; Edwards, left forward; Kidd, right guard; Copnell, left guard.

Malone Wins Match.

J. L. Malone, of the Newport Billiard Parlor, defeated Andrew Rogers at three-cushion billiards last night 15 to 11. Malone started with a handicap of three, being the odds given Rogers, but finally won.

BOWLING

Owing to the fact that two of the members of the Vaughan-Robertson Drug Company team for business reasons could not show up in their regular schedule game last night with the Everett-Wadley team, Captain Bartel and every member of the Everett-Wadley aggregation voted unanimously to postpone the game to some future date.

Where the Gas Abides

By GUS MALBERT

There is just one regret in connection with Richmond's first automobile show, and that is that it must come to an end. When the last strains of "Good-by, Everybody" are sung to-night in the Horse Show Building the curtain will be drawn on this first exhibition of the motor car staged in Richmond. Every number of cars have been sold, and in the words of one dealer, more prospects have been far larger than were anticipated, and at last Richmond has really become awakened to the immense power wielded by the motor world.

Not a dealer with a car on exhibition but feels amply repaid for the effort expended in helping make the show a success. Close questioning of each exhibitor has brought out the information that all will quit the show winners. A number of cars have been sold, and in the words of one dealer, more prospects have been far larger than were anticipated, and at last Richmond has really become awakened to the immense power wielded by the motor world.

That's what really counts. When the show was first suggested there were those who said that the conservatism of Richmond would spell non-success. Many were of the opinion that the time was not ripe for such an exhibition. The more progressive stood out with the contention that a start must be made some time, and that the time had arrived. They undertook the task with the idea in mind that nothing should be left undone to make the show a success. Manager Hutchison, aided by such men as B. A. Blenner, Robert Allport, J. H. Simms, L. M. Foster, Robert F. Kaehler and others, never stopped a moment. The result is that Richmond has taken a position well in the front of the cities holding motor shows.

The decorations, the number of cars on display and the quality of these cars, together with a cabaret performance furnished by Vess Ossman, gave to the people of this city an attraction which they couldn't turn down. They went there again, and again, and all were not merely on pleasure bent. From all parts of the State and from North and South Carolina they have come to enjoy the hospitality of the capital city and to inspect the exhibition. Dealers have taken this opportunity to bring their salesmen together for timely talks, so that the word might go forth that Richmond was really an automobile centre.

Society night, when the crest of the crowd was reached, served to show that the people were really interested. Yesterday afternoon the school-children were given an opportunity to see the show at reduced rates of admission, and a kindly number took advantage of the opportunity. Not a soul in the management has lagged, and though at times there may have been some differences of opinion as to ways and means to accomplish a given end, all of this has been forgotten in the success achieved.

To-day is the last day of the initial show. Those who have not yet attended will be given this last chance, not only to see an exhibition which is really worth while, but to pay a tribute to the men whose pluck has made such an exhibition possible. Professor Stein and Vess Ossman, manager of the cabaret performers, both promise something extraordinary for to-day. George E. McKeely, who is the musical director of the cabaret outfit, will offer some original numbers which he has prepared especially for this last day.

A great crowd is expected, and special arrangements have been made to take care of the farewell crowd. There will be something doing every minute. Night will be turned out until every number of the program, and some not officially on it, has been offered. It is the hope of the management that this last day will be the banner day of the week.

Yesterday several additional cars were sold. A Cadillac tonneau was disposed of to a local man, while J. H. Simms announces the sale of an Alco truck, forty horsepower. The name of the purchaser is somewhat of a secret, though Dr. Simms will supply it upon request. The Studebaker people sold a car to The Times-Dispatch as one of the prizes in the circulation contest run by this paper.

That the show will be perpetuated goes without saying. Naturally some few mistakes were made on the first try, and mistakes will be made again. But the dealers have learned that Richmond is alive and awake to the fact that this is the horseless age, and Richmond people have shown by their patronage that they are vitally interested in the progress made by the motor car.

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